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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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AN ACT

- 2 relating to a requirement for and the contents of a declarations
- 3 page required for certain standard insurance policy forms for
- 4 residential property insurance.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 2301, Insurance Code, is
- 7 amended by adding Section 2301.056 to read as follows:
- 8 Sec. 2301.056. REQUIREMENT FOR FORMS; DECLARATIONS PAGE
- 9 REQUIREMENT. (a) A residential property insurance policy form
- 10 must include a declarations page that:
- 11 (1) lists and explains each type of deductible under
- 12 the residential property insurance policy; and
- 13 (2) states the exact dollar amount of each deductible
- 14 under the residential property insurance policy.
- 15 (b) If a residential property insurance policy or an
- 16 endorsement attached to the policy contains a provision that may
- 17 cause the exact dollar amount of a deductible under the policy to
- 18 change, the declarations page must include a written disclosure
- 19 that clearly identifies the provision and explains how the new
- 20 amount is determined.
- 21 <u>(c) Notwithstanding Subsections (a) and (b), the list and</u>
- 22 explanation required by Subsection (a)(1), together with the
- 23 disclosure required by Subsection (b), may be provided on a
- 24 separate page from the declarations page.

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- 1 SECTION 2. This Act applies only to an insurance policy
- 2 delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed on or after January 1,
- 3 2014. A policy delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed before
- 4 January 1, 2014, is governed by the law as it existed immediately
- 5 before the effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in
- 6 effect for that purpose.
- 7 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.